

TOWN OF EATON, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03832

EVANS MEMORIAL BUILDING

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

September 7, 2016

A special meeting of the Board of Selectmen took place on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 on Crystal Lake Road. Present were Selectmen Dick Fortin, Rick Young and Ed Reilly. Also present were: Freedom Fire Chief Justin Brooks, Nancy Burns, Linda & Ken McKenzie and Paul & Elaine Hennigan. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.

Dick Fortin explained that the purpose of this meeting is to solicit input from Chief Brooks regarding the location of the turnaround. Ken McKenzie noted that they will also be discussing the width of the road and the requirements of the Fire Chief.

Chief Brooks noted that his widest emergency vehicle is 102 inches. Chief Brooks explained that he would most likely use the existing cul-de-sac as a staging area and run a 4-inch line down the private section of the road, which is approximately 1000 feet. Chief Brooks also noted that he would set a truck at mid-point to help pump the water and indicated that his biggest tank holds 3000 gallons of water.

As those present walked the private section of Crystal Lake Road, Rick Young noted the two locations marked for pull outs – one midway up the first hill and the second at the top of the hill.

At the curve entering onto Diller's property, Ken McKenzie noted that the road will have to be widened to get around the tree. Rick Young noted that the curve can be graded and that the general outline of the curve on the right side already exists.

At the location of the proposed turnaround, Chief Brooks noted that there must be enough room to store snow. Nancy Burns stated that George Diller does not want to alter his property on the left side of the road as he wants to keep it for access to his property.

Chief Brooks stated that taking snow storage into consideration, the depth of the turnaround will have to be 50 feet measured from the center of the existing road and a minimum of 20 feet wide. The Selectmen measured out the turnaround and flagged a tree. Ken McKenzie noted that there is ledge in that area and Chief Brooks stated that test pits will show any ledge. The Selectmen measured and marked a 40-foot flared entrance for the turnaround. Chief Brooks assessed the entrance to Ken McKenzie's property and noted that he would not permit a full-size truck to enter his property during the winter.

The Selectmen reviewed the septic system plans for Nancy Burns' property and noted that due to the location, the materials removed from the turnaround site cannot be placed on her property.

Upon exiting the private section of Crystal Lake Road, it was noted that perhaps the excavation materials from the turnaround could be disposed of along the edge of the existing road to mitigate construction costs, which would also create another turnout and enhance parking possibilities.

Rick Young questioned the number of vehicles that would respond in the event of a mutual aid call. Chief Brooks explained that the run card specifies the vehicles that would respond and that each Department responds with their own fire trucks and private vehicles and that there would be at least one rescue vehicle and ambulance on site. Chief Brooks noted that he will meet with the other Fire Chiefs to work out a response plan.

Nancy Burns questioned how to proceed. Rick Young explained that a survey establishing the right of way and depicting the pull outs and turnaround needs to be developed. Ken McKenzie noted that the plan is needed to obtain cost estimates. Paul Hennigan stated that a plan needs to be developed to show what has been marked on the ground. Ken McKenzie stated that a Variance will then be needed to address the requirement of a road built to Town specifications.

Dick Fortin adjourned this portion of the meeting at 11:09 am.

Signature items included correspondence to Jessica Fortin & Brian Greenough and Yvonne Hoyt.

The meeting adjourned at 11:12 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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